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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **WAKASHIRO, Teruo et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2834**

Serial No.: **09/695,944**

Examiner: **Julio C. GONZALEZ**

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For. **CONTROL SYSTEM FOR A HYBRID VEHICLE**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **February 6, 2002**, extended to **August 6, 2002** by a three (3) month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Correct the title of the invention to read as follows:

**CONTROL SYSTEM FOR A HYBRID VEHICLE IN WHICH
OUTPUT FROM THE ENGINE IS ASSISTED BY THE MOTOR
BASED ON AIR-FUEL RATIO DETERMINATION.**

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Delete the current Abstract and replace therewith the attached substitute Abstract.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Add the following new claims 8-13: